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TARGET ION CHANNELS  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement of July 1, 2002, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 40-47, without prejudice to, or disclaimer of, the subject matter contained therein.

**APPLICANT'S ELECTION**

Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, to prosecute the claims of Group I, directed to a system for high throughput screening, which includes claims 1-39 and 48-50. Applicants have cancelled the claims drawn to the non-elected subject matter, *i.e.*, claims 40-47. Applicants assert that the cancellation of these claims was made solely in response to the election requirement by the Examiner and that such cancellation makes no admission as to the